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COMPUTERIZED INTERACTIVE METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR DETERMINING A RISK OF

DEVELOPING A DISEASE AND THE CONSEQUENCES OF DEVELOPING THE

DISEASE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Kindly amend the above-identified application before examination, as set forth below.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the Specification as follows:

On page 1, before line 1, insert the following new paragraph:

-- This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Ser. No. 09/535,689 filed on March 27, 2000, expressly incorporated herein by reference in its entirety .--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

On page 9, delete line 1, and insert: --What Is Claimed Is:--.

Please cancel, without prejudice, claims 1-18, 23-24, 33, 38-54, 56-72, 74-85, 87-98, 100-112, 114-126, 128-143, 145-160, 162-178, and 180-196.

Please amend the claims as follows:

22. (Amended) The method according to claim 21, wherein: at least one of:

the physical characteristics include age, gender, race, height and weight:

the lifestyle questions include questions about at least one of smoking habits, drinking habits, vitamin intake, and stress; and

the medical history questions include questions about at least one of blood pressure, diabetes, menopause, ovary removal, hormone replacement, CAD, heart attack, coronary artery bypass surgery, angioplasty, peripheral vascular disease, left ventricular hypertophy, family history, lipid profile, stress tests, and angiograms.

32. (Amended) The method according to claim 31, wherein: at least one of:

the invasive intervention includes at least one of surgery and angioplasty; and

the noninvasive intervention includes at least one of pharmacological therapy and education.

73. (Amended) A method for providing information concerning a patient to a doctor, comprising the steps of:

interactively providing via a processor questions to a patient;

receiving via the processor responses to the questions;

storing information concerning the patient based on

at least one of the responses;

determining risk factors for a disease using at least one of at least one of the responses and practice guidelines for the disease;

tracking changes in the responses and the risk factors over time;

receiving via the processor a request for the information concerning the patient by a doctor; and providing the stored information to the doctor.

86. (Amended) A method for providing information concerning a patient to a doctor, comprising the steps of:

interactively receiving via a processor questions; transmitting via the processor responses to the questions;

storing information concerning the patient based on at least one of the responses;

determining risk factors for a disease using at least one of at least one of the responses and practice guidelines for the diseasu:

tracking changes in the responses and risk factors
over time;

transmitting a request for the information concerning the patient by a doctor; and providing the stored information to the doctor.

Remarks

This Preliminary Amendment amends the Specification and cancels, without prejudice, claims 1-18, 23-24, 33, 38-54, 56-72, 74-85, 87-98, 100-112, 114-126, 128-143, 145-160, 162-178, and 180-196 of the above referenced application. This Preliminary Amendment also amends the claims. These amendments do not add new matter to the application.

It is respectfully submitted that the subject matter of the present application is new, non-obvious, and useful.

Prompt consideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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